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#### Thumbs up

Marines taking the Helicopter Rope and Suspension Training course offered by Special Operations Training Group, III Marine Expeditionary Force, rig up for Special Insertion and Extraction training at Kin Blue Beach in the Central Training Area. See story, Page 8.

## Leathernecks awarded for efforts in **East Timor**

Lance Cpl. Scott Whittington

Combat Correspondent

**CAMP COURTNEY** — More than 60 Marines and Sailors from III Marine Expeditionary Force received recognition and awards here April 21 for the efforts they put forth during International Forces in East Timor operations.

Brig. Gen. John G. Castellaw, deputy commander, III MEF, awarded these 60 servicemembers the Humanitarian Service Medal along with six Joint Service Commendations and 13 Joint Service Achievement Medals.

The general also awarded eight Certificates of Commendation.

"There will not be a victory parade for us," said Castellaw. "We have already had ours where it counted - in East

Everyone who served in support of International Forces in East Timor is entitled to the Humanitarian Service

There are approximately 50 U.S. servicemembers currently on the ground in East Timor.

#### DoD wants to know what motivates servicemembers

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Army Staff Sgt. Kathleen T. Rhem

American Forces Press Service

**WASHINGTON** — DoD officials want to know what motivates service members to leave the military, so they've

All of an estimated 135,000 service members leaving active duty between April 1 and Sept. 30, 2000, are being asked to fill out a 16-page survey, said Army Col. Jeff Perry, a personnel manager with the Office of the Secretary of

"This is one of the toughest recruiting and retention environments in the history of the all-volunteer force," Perry said during an American Forces Information Service interview.

DoD wants to determine what motivates people to stay or to leave.

In 1999, DoD surveyed roughly 66,000 active duty troops on their satisfaction with military life. "This survey is focusing on those individuals who have made a decision to separate from the military," Perry said. Individuals who receive other than honorable discharges or who are administratively separated are not part of the survey.

The survey, which should take about 20 minutes to complete, is broken down

into eight major areas, ranging from demographic information, such as marital status, education level, and length of service, to amount of deployment time.

"We're looking at the process they went through, how they made the determination to leave

the military. Was it influenced by family members? Was it a job opportunity?

military."

Is it that they're going to use the benefits of the Montgomery GI Bill?" Perry said. "We're also looking at what their perception of civilian employment is. Do they think the benefits are better? What have they heard about it? Are they going to join the National Guard or reserve [component]? Do they still want to keep their affiliation with the military?"

Some questions from this survey are

identical to questions on the previous active duty survey. Perry said officials hope to compare answers and learn how people who decide to remain in military service and those who chose to leave view different motivators, particularly opera-

tion to leave the —Jeff Perry

tion tempo.

"How big of a factor is tempo on the decision to stay or leave?" he said, and added officials hope to compare how much time each group spent away from

Even though survey completion isn't mandatory, Perry said he hopes departing service members will complete it out of concern for their comrades who stay in

"These are individuals who volunteered to serve in the military; they served honorably, and we're asking for one last, small bit of work from them.

How they respond will allow us to go back and address these issues for those individuals who are still on active duty," he said. "If there has been a problem they've identified, we'd like to know about it to be able to go back and address those

He said that by completing the survey, departing servicemembers "literally have the ear of the secretary of defense and Congress."

Congress mandated the survey in the fiscal 2000 budget, and DoD owes them a report by Dec. 31, Perry said. After that, he said, DoD officials plan to "take this data and propose some changes" to address these issues.

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## Ceremony honors memory of Ernie Pyle

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Combat Correspondent

IE SHIMA — Around the globe people have been celebrating the 55th anniversary of the events and battles that brought World War II to a close. Veterans, Marines, the Young Marines and members of the local community gathered here Sunday, to honor an American journalism legend who lost his life here while covering one of those battles.

The ceremony took place in front of a stone monument marking the very place Ernie Pyle breathed his last breath before being shot and killed by a sniper April 18, 1945

Until that time, Pyle traveled through Europe, North Africa and the Pacific telling the stories of World War II from the point-of-view of the individual soldier in the fighting hole. His work was steadily published in more than 700 newspapers and brought the war, as it was lived in the trenches, into America's living rooms.

"Ernie Pyle wrote about [soldiers'] lives on the front lines and about ordinary people from ordinary towns in simple words and details, but he made them feel extraordinary," said Larry A. Henry, commander, American Legion Post 28 at the ceremony.

Ernie Pyle revolutionized the way war was reported by going where the soldiers were fighting and risking his own life so others would know the truth of the war from the point of view of the ordinary man.

"He walked through mud and crouched

in foxholes," said Henry. "He thumbed rides in jeeps and tanks. He didn't file his stories from the rear, but hammered them out while bullets and shells whistled over his head."

After Henry's speech, the crowd sat in silence while, Seitoku Shimabukuro, mayor of Ie Shima, and representatives from the Marine Corps League, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Retired Military Association and the American Legion laid flowers on the monument.

Two trumpeters from the III Marine Expeditionary Force Band played taps while the Young Marines and Marines from Operations Support Detachment at Ie Shima stood at attention.

The ceremony meant something different for everyone. For the veterans it was honoring a fallen comrade and for the children it was a history lesson.

"It was rather interesting being at the ceremony and learning about who Ernie Pyle was," said Lauren E. Crowl, 9, 4th grade student at Zukeran Elementary School. "I think if he was looking down on us and saw the ceremony he would be happy."

For one legionnaire, honoring Ernie Pyle means honoring a human being and a icon of American history as well as a fallen comrade.

Cal Clunder, sergeant of arms, American Legion Post 28, had the honor of meeting Ernie Pyle briefly in April of 1944 at Guadalcanal. After shaking hands with the man, Clunder gave him a ride to the base hospital where he met with, talked and shook hands with every



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Veterans of American Legion Post 28, Larry A. Henry, commander, and Cal Clunder, sergeant of arms, salute the monument and the memory of Ernie Pyle after placing a wreath during the ceremony.

wounded man.

"When he got off the plane he shook my hand and said, 'Job well done,'" said Clunder. "It was an honor meeting and riding in a jeep with such a great man. It was just a matter of minutes, but he took the time to honor each and every man in the hospital."

Ernie Pyle did more humanitarian deeds than simply shaking hands with wounded veterans. In 1944 he proposed that combat soldiers get some sort of ex-

tra pay similar to aviators' "flight pay." Congress followed up his idea and granted combat soldiers an extra 50 percent of their base pay. The bill that was passed was referred to as the "Ernie Pyle Bill."

When the ceremony was over the aging veterans with weather-beaten faces told their own story of a man who made living in a fighting hole and washing socks in a helmet an honorable life. The stories fell upon young ears who will, in time, pass his legacy onto future generations.

CPL. JEFF WOMACK

#### New Sgt. Maj.

Colonel Charles T. Rushworth, commanding officer of 4th Marines, 3rd Marine Division, passes the regimental sergeant major's noncommissioned officer sword to Sgt. Maj. Paul Zackeroff, Jr., former sergeant major of Combat Assault Battalion, 3rd Marine Division, in a post and relief ceremony Apr. 14.

#### Change of station process revamped

**Rudi Williams** 

American Forces Press Service

**WASHINGTON** — DoD is revamping and simplifying its permanent-change-of-station process to make it easier, faster, less expensive and less stressful for more than 700,000 service members and their family members who move around the world each year.

The initiative is targeted at scrapping mountains of paperwork, eliminating out-of-pocket expenses and creating a user-friendly, Internet-based, personalized, state-of-the-art relocation system.

When the new system is implemented, service members will, among other benefits, save hundreds of dollars in out-of-pocket expenses, spend less time filling out paperwork and visit fewer offices to in- and out-process, according to Stephen Rossetti, director of the Defense Integrated Travel and Relocation Solutions Office in Arlington, Va.

Rossetti said under the plan, that includes proposals before Congress, service members would be offered no-receipt-required, lump-sum payment for temporary lodging expenses, temporary lodging allowances.

"Military people are ordered to move. They have no choice. We need to do all we can to make it easier," Rossetti said.

Initial savings are estimated at about \$150 million, Rossetti said.

He said 85 percent of the people who move are dissatisfied with the relocation process. They're upset because their household goods are lost or destroyed and

they waste a lot of time in-processing at the library, veterinarian, commissary, personnel office and a host of other places. It's estimated that more than 40,000 manhours are wasted each year in- and out-processing.

Simplifying the process includes cutting a 10-volume set of books and nearly 2,000 pieces of PCS entitlement data down to about 100 pages. Likening the current entitlement rules to the tax code, Rossetti said people who have the time to understand it will get the most money back, but those that can't end up spending more. The current process covers 10 functional areas including transportation, household goods, medical, and morale, welfare and recreation, and 406 sub-processes that require 117 forms and information from 36 automated systems.

The plan will incorporate the "one-stop-shopping concept," with the Internet as the integrator. "The Web is transforming America, and we want it to transform this process," Rossetti said.

"We want to have the computer take care of servicemembers during their move," Rossetti said. "We have something working in the lab called P-3 Quantum a personal PCS page.

When you key your name, Social Security number and PIN number into the system, your personal profile comes up.

Several projects are under way concerning household goods moves, including the Full Service Movement Project and the http://www.afcrossroads.com/relocation/index.cfm relocation section of the Air Forces Crossroads Web site.

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#### **MAG-36** changes hands

Marine Aircraft Group 36's incoming sergeant major, Sqt. Maj. Roberto S. Orosco, accepts the sword of office from Col. Thomas L. Conant, commanding officer, MAG-36, during a post and relief ceremony here April 20.

Orosco was previously the sergeant major of Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 262, and replaced Sgt. Maj. Felipe Pinon who will be taking over as sergeant major of Marine Corps Bases Japan. "Colonel Conant, thank you for your confidence in me," said Orosco. "I will not let you down. I will do my job and take care of my Marines."



SGT. NATHANIEL T. GARCIA

#### MALS-36 receives award for environmental efforts

Col. John M. Metterle, station commanding officer, Marine Corps Air Station Futenma (center), presented the Environmental **Excellence Award to Marine Aviation Logistics Squadron-36 here** 

The Award was received by Lt. Col. Daniel F. Crowl, (right) commanding officer, and Gunnery Sgt. Mark R. Galate, (left) hazardous material/environmental coordinator, MALS-36, 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, for their efforts to protect the environment.

# DoD expands smoking ban

Linda D. Kozaryn

American Forces Press Service

**WASHINGTON** — DoD is expanding its smoking ban to include clubs, bowling alleys and other morale, welfare and recreation facilities.

"We want to provide smoke-free facilities across the Department of Defense," said Sherri Goodman, deputy undersecretary of defense for environmental security. "We started with the workplace, and now we've expanded to cover our morale, welfare, and recreational facilities as well," she said during an interview here April 12.

"We want to make sure that people who are using any DoD facilities have an opportunity to do so in a smoke-free environment," Goodman said. She added that smoking is already prohibited in DoD facilities for children.

An estimated 34 percent of the nation's 1.4 million servicemembers smoke, according to DoD officials. The Department banned smoking in all workplaces in 1994; DoD excluded living and recreation areas, however.

By December 2002, all DoD facilities will be smoke-free, Goodman said. Smoking will only be allowed in designated, separately ventilated smoking areas. DoD officials are providing a three-year phasein period to give the facilities adequate time to make those changes.

"Some in the military departments were ready to do it even sooner," she said. "Many installations are already moving to provide separately ventilated smoking

DoD wants "to do the right thing," Goodman stressed. "We want to make sure we protect our people, maintain readiness and provide a healthy environment."

Smoking and secondhand smoke, she noted, pose serious health risks and present considerable health costs to the military. "We would like people to stop smoking," she said.

"We go to great lengths to protect the health and safety of our military, and this is certainly one aspect of it."

"I think now families will feel free to bring their children, for example, into all MWR facilities, whether it's a bowling alley or a club, and know that there will be a place that will be smoke-free," she said. "I believe that is very important because our MWR facilities should be available to all military families."

In 1997, President Clinton banned smoking in all interior space owned, rented or leased by the federal executive branch in 1997. Smoking is only allowed in designated areas that have special ventilation and smoke-containment features.

In December, under the provisions of the president's executive order, Defense Secretary William S. Cohen approved "a limited and narrow" exception to allow a three-year phase-in period for certain MWR facilities. A DoD Instruction on the policy exception is due to reach the field this summer.

Since many MWR facilities are not equipped with the special features necessary, he said, an immediate ban "would negatively effect service members' morale at a time when we are asking them to bear historically high operations tempo levels."

Installation commanders are to determine which facilities should receive the benefit of the phase-in period. In the meantime, however, those facilities must maintain separate smoking and non-smok-

"Although non-smoking is our strong policy preference, it is important for our MWR activities to be seen as available and accommodating for all service members, including those who smoke," Cohen stated in a policy letter dated Dec. 7, 1999.

## **Bechtel Elementary** students learn safety

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Combat Correspondent

**CAMP MCTUREOUS** —More than 750 students of Bechtel Elementary School received a 20-minute class on safety here recently. Representatives from the Provost Marshal's Office, Marine Corps Community Services life guards and the Fire Department attended the Camp Courtney Chapel sponsored event.

Two classes at a time attended the over a four-day period.

Tina Morgan, lifeguard/lead recreation assistant, gave a class on the importance of safety around water.

Following the water safety class, Staff Sgt. Bowie Cruz, physical security specialist, PMO, spoke on bicycle safety, securing personal items and what a child should do if he encountered a stranger.

Cruz also introduced Mr. McGruff, the crime dog during the class.

"The more educated the kids are, the more prepared they would be for any type of incidents they encounter," said Cruz.

After PMO's class, the fire department brought in Sparky, the fire safety Dalmatian, and a fireman. During their class, the children learned about fire safety.

The PMO and fire department let the kids know that '911' is for emergencies on base and '119' is for calling from out in town. They also talked about the kind of information the children should give to an operator.

Once the class was over, the children went outside and climbed into a fire truck. On their way back inside, they were each handed safety-oriented coloring books.



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#### Freeze lawbreakers!

Military policemen practice taking cover behind a vehicle during pre-service training with the Special Reaction Team on Camp Foster.

#### **Community Briefs**

#### Navy/Marine Corps Relief to hold raffle

The drawing for the Navy/Marine Corps Relief fund drive raffle prizes has been set for April 29 at 10 a.m. outside the New Car Sales office at Camp Foster. Ticket holders do not need to be present to win.

#### Memorial Day ceremony

The Okinawan chapter of the Retired Officers Association and 3rd Materiel Readiness Battalion are sponsoring a Memorial Day ceremony May 31 at 9 a.m.

The event is open to the public, please wear appropriate civilian attire. Active duty military are directed to wear their service C or equivalent.

For more information call Master Gunnery Sgt. Trigilia at 637-3705.

#### College instructors wanted

The Central Texas College Distance Learning Center is currently hiring full and part-time instructors in the following areas: Government, Sociology, Art History, Anthropology, Biology, English, Mathematics and History

For more information contact the CTC DL Center at 645-7160/2123.

## USO hosts Cinco De Mayo celebration

A Cinco De Mayo celebration is slated for the Futenma USO aboard Marine Corps Air Station Futnema May 3 from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m.

In honor of this Mexican holiday that recognizes the anniversary of the Battle of Pueblo, the USO will observe the day with music and dance at the new USO Futenma.

The event is open to all authorized SOFA personnel

and their families.

For more information, call USO Marketing Department at 633-4510.

#### Wanna be recon?

Do you have what it takes to be recon? 5th Force Reconnaissance Battalion is holding a recon indoctrination at Building 3643 on Camp Schwab beginning at 4 p.m. tonight.

Prerequisites for the indoctrination are a 1st Class PFT, S-1 swim qualification (or the ability to attain one), person must be a U. S. Citizen and have a 95 or higher GT.

For more information, call Gunnery Sgt. Stella at 625-2711 or 625-2713.

#### Base Safety no longer helps with Japanese drivers license

In the past, the Marine Corps Base, Base Safety Office provided assistance to personnel desiring to remain on Okinawa after separating from the military in obtaining a Japanese drivers license. Due to a law change, the Base Safety Office can no longer provide assistance.

For more information, call 868-3401 extension 203

### **United Missionary Baptist Church hosts celebration**

The United Missionary Baptist Church invites everyone to join them in a celebration through praise and prayer May 5-6 at the church in Ginowan City.

For more information, call 633-1651.

#### Globe and Anchor host Selena tribute

The Globe and Anchor on Camp Foster is hosting a tribute to Selena Saturday from 9 p.m. to 2 a.m. Admission is free.

For more information, call 645-9603.

#### **English teachers wanted**

English Conversation teachers needed to volunteer to teach AmerAsians in the AmerAsian Network.

# Alcohol-related NJPS III MEF/MCBJ

The following are alcohol-related nonjudicial punishments for April 16-22.

• DWI

A lance corporal with Headquarters and Service Battalion, Marine Corps Base was found guilty at a battalion-level NJP of driving while intoxicated. Punishment: reduction to E-2, forfeiture of \$563 pay for two months and restriction and extra duties for 30 days.

• DWI

A staff sergeant with Headquarters and Service Battalion, MCB was found guilty at a battalion-level NJP of driving while intoxicated. Punishment: forfeiture of \$1,001 pay for one month and punitive letter of reprimand.

For more information, contact 939-7825.

#### New TRICARE Overseas Family Member Dental Plan

Since Oct. 1, 1999, active duty family members have the opportunity to enroll in TRICARE Overseas Family Member Dental Plan. Enrollment allows family members to receive dental care for covered services from local national providers in "non-remote" countries.

The enrollment process is the same as in CONUS and can be accomplished by the active duty sponsor through their personnel center.

For more information, call 643-7499.

#### **DRMO** holds sale

The DRMO at Camp Kinser will have a government surplus sale at Building 600 beginning at 8 a.m. May 6.

The sale is open to SOFA personnel and items must be purchased for personal use only.

## Omega Psi Phi Fraternity sponsors scholarship

The Omega Psi Phi Fraternity is sponsoring a scholarship fund-raiser men and women's open double tennis tournament May 6-7 at Kadena Tennis Courts.

For more information, contact Reggie Hairston at 646-4856.

#### Schools offer opportunities for Senior Marine Instructors

The following is a list of job opportunities as Senior Marine Instructors or Marine Instructors. The following high school's are available for any staff noncommissioned officers and officers planning on retiring during 2000.

The schools are: Davenport High School, Davenport, Ia.; Lincoln High School, Sioux Falls, S. D.; Nobile Street Charter, Chicago, Il.; Forsythe High School, Forsythe Mo.; Washington High School, Milwaukee, Wi.; Southside High School, Muncle, In.; Mountain Grove High School, Mountain Grove, Mo.

#### To submit a brief ...

The Okinawa Marine accepts briefs for non-profit organizations and groups only. Briefs are run on space-available and time-priority basis. Deadline for briefs is noon Friday. The Okinawa Marine reserves the right to edit to fit space. Submit briefs by faxing to 645-3803, or send an e-mail to angusrj@mcbbutler.usmc.mil.

## Corps' fighting spirit still alive on Iwo Jima

n February 23, 1945, Joe Rosenthal closed the shutter on his camera and forever immortalized a moment - the raising of the flag atop Mt. Suribachi on Iwo Jima.

I stood in that very spot recently, camera in hand, and tried to imagine what it might have felt like to be on Iwo Jima 55 years ago. But I could not.

I began my visit by walking along Invasion Beach, 2.5 miles of black, unforgiving volcanic ash, where the first wave of the invasion took place. To simply walk across this hellish ground is difficult. To storm this beach during battle, under a pack weighing up to 122 pounds, most assuredly would have been a living night-mare

It was here that Marines from the 4th and 5th Divisions emerged from the sea and made their historic amphibious landing, signaling the beginning of the Battle of Iwo Jima. Although they met little Japanese resistance at first, the "sands of Iwo Jima" proved to be the first of many obstacles during the siege.

Standing in that black sand, I was amazed at how open the landscape appeared. As you look inland at the panoramic horizon, the view is completely uphill, with nowhere to run or hide. The only place they could go was straight — straight into the lion's den, where Japanese held the high ground at places like the "Meat Grinder" and "Turkey Knob."

So I moved away from the beach and

started my climb inland, again walking in the footsteps of heroes. These footsteps led to where the Marines hit a brick wall of resistance. After more than eight months of continuous shelling and bombing, from aircraft and more than 800 ships that surrounded the island, the Japanese emerged from their extensive underground cave network to defend the island. They climbed into pill boxes, machine gun nests and behind heavy guns.

Knowing the path they followed, I stood there staring out into nothingness, staring where so much blood was spilled, amazed that we were ever able to secure the island of Iwo Jima. The terrain is treacherous, the climate is brutal, and the Japanese were prepared and determined.

At that moment, I turned to my left, looking south down Invasion Beach. Above it, Mt. Suribachi rose into the heavens. It was a beautiful site, yet strangely ironic. As I sat in awe of its power, I couldn't help thinking of the violence this active volcano contained. Somehow I thought that made sense.

Maybe because it was here, on top of mother nature's potential for destruction, Marines from 3rd Platoon, Company E, 2nd Battalion, 28th Marines climbed atop Mt. Suribachi with one mission - to raise the flag.

Later, when I stood in that very spot, underneath our flag, atop the "Mecca of the Marine Corps," I looked out across the entire island of Iwo Jima. I could see



LANCE CPL. CHAD C. ADAMS

The Iwo Jima memorial atop 9Mt. Suribachi.

every piece of it, just as those who gallantly fought there could see Old Glory from any part of the island.

It was then that I began to understand exactly what Rosenthal's photo meant. It wasn't just a Pulitzer Prize winning photo. That photo captured a moment, which defined the very meaning of Semper Fidelis. It told the story of a "band of brothers," who were whipped, but never beaten; who saw their war cry fly high above a mountain peak and with that symbol, they defied all odds and carried the day.

So now I'm back in the rear, with the

gear, and I'm looking at my own pictures of what once was hell on earth. Can I ever truly understand the fear they felt, the pain they endured or hardships they suffered? Probably not.

But in a place where "uncommon valor was a common virtue," I gained a better appreciation for the Marine Corps fighting spirit, and leave there forever thankful for the ultimate sacrifice that so many gave, fighting for freedom, fighting for God, country and Corps.

Lance Cpl. Chad C. Adams, Public Affairs Office, MCB

## Military journalist remembered after 55 years

ou don't hear many kids say, "Gosh, I want to be just like Ernie Pyle when I grow up." The last generation he really had an impact on now has grandchildren, but Ernie Pyle had an impact on me 55 years after his death.

I recently had the privilege of covering an event that made me proud to be a servicemember and a journalist. The American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Young Marines and other groups held a ceremony honoring Ernie Pyle, a journalist who reported World War II.

Many journalists sported bylines for war stories during the Second World War, but Pyle's stories were different. He became one of the guys. He followed the soldiers, sailors, and Marines into the trenches and crouched in foxholes as they all feared for their lives.

Pyle rarely reported on the big picture of the war, but instead concentrated mostly on the small battles and the men who swayed the war. As loved ones waited for news from the soldiers dug into the trenches, Pyle's columns told them what was really happening. Pyle's verbs, nouns and adjectives told the American public of the true horrors of war and what war was really like from the individual troop's point of view.

He often referred to the men as "we," and often mentioned individuals without bothering to write down their names. Such things would be considered unprofessional journalism today. Perhaps the time he didn't take to catch a soldiers name, was the time he used to turn facts into poetry the average reader could understand. Pyle's way with words was dramatic and poetic, but it was still comprehensive to those with lower reading levels.

As the Legionnaire read a tribute to Ernie Pyle in front of a monument built on his death site, I was a ball of photographic fury. I bounced from place to place looking for the perfect shot to tell the story of the event.

Somewhere in the middle of the speech, I realized that every word the weathered-faced veteran had been saying had been hitting me in the heart. I realized that I

am a combat correspondent, the same title Ernie Pyle epitomized. I realized that my presence as a correspondent was ironic. I, as a servicemember, was covering the story of a man who covered the stories of servicemembers 55 years ago.

It made me think that if I do my job well enough, maybe one day, a young combat correspondent will cover a story about me, 55 years after my death. I hope wherever he is that he is looking down on me and blessing me to follow in his footsteps.

Pyle was a brave man, who earned the love and respect of the rugged men he followed. When I found out how courageous, loyal, persistent and proficient he was, it made me want to be a better Marine and a better journalist.

I want to be just like Ernie Pyle when I grow up.

Lance Cpl. Micheal O. Foley, Public Affairs Office, MCB

#### STREET TALK



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"A lot of people died in a battle that was significant to our history."



Shannon M.

Walton, MWHS

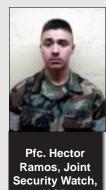
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"The monument in Washington D. C. that depicts the raising of the flag."



"A lot of Marines who died in combat defending their country."

"What do you think of when you hear Iwo Jima?"



"The sacrifice of the Marines that came before me."

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## Special operations teaches Marines to fly

Lance Cpl. Zachary A. Crawford and Lance Cpl. Kimberly Dowell

Combat Correspondents

KIN BLUE BEACH — The helo lowered its rope from the "hell hole" as the Marines, Sailors and soldiers prepared themselves to go for a ride around the beach while dangling from the underside of a CH-46E Sea Knight.

This set the scene for a recent training evolution at Kin Blue Beach in the Central Training Area. Marines, Sailors and soldiers from various units rapelled and fast roped from a rappel tower. They also rigged and mastered procedures for special insertion and extraction with the guidance of Special Operations Training Group instructors.

To be a member of the Helicopter Rope Suspension Training, the servicemembers dangling over the ocean had to have training in amphibious landings, humanitarian relief exercises, and vessel boarding search and seizure among other Marine Expeditionary Unit exercises.

After completing the 13-day training HRST course, the servicemembers qualify as HRST masters. Certification enables soldiers, sailors, and Marines to serve as trainers on rappel towers and in helo-jump exercises.

A fortunate few receive further training that equips them to instruct HRST courses with 5th Force Reconnaissance



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Marines dangle over the water of Kin Blue Beach during Helicopter Rope Suspension Training.

Battalion, Marine Division School in Hawaii and Special Operations Training Group.

Achieving master certification is challenging and rewarding, according to Staff

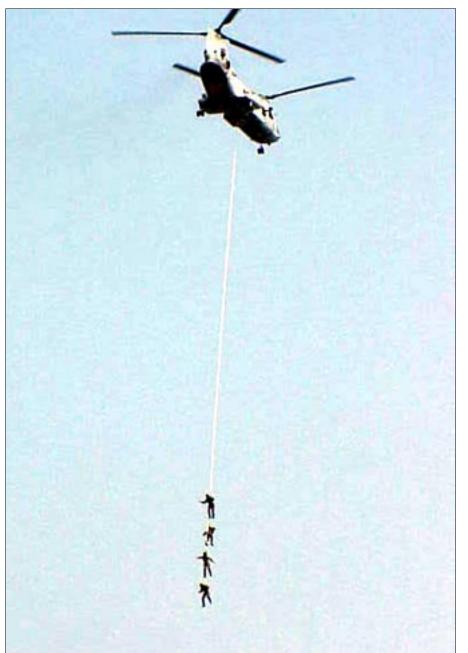
Sgt. E. Ortiz, senior instructor for the amphibious raid branch, Special Operations Training Group, MSG, III MEF.

"Even after completing the course, final qualification is up to the officer-in-

charge," said Ortiz. "The rewards for me, as an instructor, are knowing that I have changed and helped troops develop. This training is designed to teach troops to remain calm and overcome fear."



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LANCE CPL. KIMBERLY DOWELL

(above) A CH-46E Sea Knight helicopter carries Marines across Kin Blue Beach during Special Insertion and Extraction training. (left) An instructor from Special Operations Training Group, III Marine Expeditionary Force ensures Marines are properly secured in their harnesses before taking off for Special Insertion and Extraction training at Kin Blue Beach.



LANCE CPL. ZACHARY A. CRAWFORD

Sgt. Winiberto Garcia III, ordnance technician, Marine Light Attack Helicopter Squadron-369, inspects the condition of his M-197 20 mm machine gun on an AH-1W Super Cobra helicopter.



LANCE CPL. ZACHARY A. CRAWFORD Cpl. Refugio Garcia, corrosion control technician, Marine Light Attack Helicopter Squadron-369, scrubs the body of an AH-1W Super Cobra helicopter to prevent corrosion.

## GUNFIGHTERS MAKE COBRAS FLY

Lance Cpl. Zachary A. Crawford

Combat Correspondent

MARINE CORPS AIR STATION **FUTENMA** — When it comes to flying the helicopters of Marine Light Attack Helicopter Squadron-369, it takes a lot more than highly trained pilots.

The pilots can only accomplish so much when it comes to flying their birds without the help of the mechanics and technicians of HMLA-369. These Marines do their job everyday by keeping the helicopters ready to accomplish any mission thrown their way.

"The Marines here keep themselves pretty busy," said Staff Sgt. Russell A. Reale, flightline staff noncommissioned officer-in-charge, HMLA-369. "They do most of the engine work, powertrain maintenance, daily turnaround inspections and things of that nature."

The work done by these Marines is an obvious necessity of the squadron, according to Reale.

"These birds couldn't fly without the help of these mechanics," said Reale. "They make the flight schedule actually

happen."

Along with the mechanics, there are various technicians that work hand-inhand with the rest of the squadron, such as flight equipment, corrosion control, and ordinance.

'We work with the other Marines once in a while because certain things need to be worked on before another part of the helicopter can be worked on," said Sgt. Brian C. Roenicke, flightline mechanic, HMLA-369.

An example would be when an ordnance technician prepares the weapons systems before a live fire exercise.

"Ordnance technicians make sure everything is good-to-go with the weapons systems before a bird goes out so everything is safe and working properly," said Sgt. Winiberto Garcia III, ordnance technician, HMLA-369.

Because of Marines that specialize in airframes, avionics, flight equipment, ordnance, and many other fields, the pilots and the squadron are well prepared to tackle any problem and accomplish any mission handed down by the III Marine Expeditionary Force.



Cpl. Refugio Garcia, corrosion control technician, Marine Light Attack Helicopter Squadron-369, ensures one of the helicopters is rust-free.



LANCE CPL. ZACHARY A. CRAWFORD

Lance Cpl. Derek S. Elliott, airframe technician, Marine Light Attack Helicopter Squadron-369 installs a canopy removal system in an AH-1W Super Cobra helicopter.

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# Combat craft coxswain breaks female stereotype

**Gunnery Sgt. Andrew Lynch** 

Combat Correspondent

KIN BLUE BEACH — A Marine wakes up puts on a set of cammies and gets ready for the day ahead, but this Marine will not be spending it in an office. Instead this devil dog will be skimming across the sea at 35 miles per hour to get Marines where they need to be.

Lance Corporal Tenille Tarazon, assigned to the Boat Platoon, Special Operations Training Group, III Marine Expeditionary Force is one of only a handful of female coxswains in the Marine Corps.

Tarazon's job is to operate and care for a 15-foot Combat Rubber Reconnaissance Craft used in amphibious operations. But her responsibilities do not stop there. Until the Marines assigned to her boat are ashore, she, like any other captain of a vessel, is in charge and responsible for their care.

Tarazon enjoys her role in the Marine Corps and welcomes the challenge of being in a male dominated billet.

"This gives me a chance to prove to everyone what I can do and that I'm not the stereotypical female," said Tarazon, who works side by side with male Marines lifting boats and their motors.

Tarazon enjoys being outdoors and doing her job.

"I've always been physical ... I grew up kind of a tomboy," said the 5-foot-6-inch tall Tarazon, who played point guard for her junior college basketball team.

Raised in a single-parent household in Tucson, Az., Tarazon got much of her strength and conviction from her mother.

"She taught me it's not what people expect from you, it's what you expect from yourself," Tarazon said.

While many of her friends dropped out of high school, she knew that a diploma was necessary.

"At the time, I wanted to go to college so not finishing high school wasn't an option," said Tarazon.

Tarazon attended a private Catholic high school, before she moved to Baltimore, Md. to live with her aunt and attend college.

It was only the beginning of her second semester in college before she realized that she didn't want to stay at a junior college and she couldn't afford a university.

"There wasn't much of a challenge at school for me and I wanted to do something different," explained the 19 year-



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To her, the logical solution was to join the Marine Corps.

"I had a few female friends in high school go into the Marine Corps ... they said it was the hardest and toughest," said Tarazon. "I wanted the same thing — I wanted the best."

After spending three months in the Delayed Entry Program, she went to boot camp in May 1999 and was given the primary Military Occupational Specialty of supply administration. Seven months after standing on the yellow footprints at Parris Island, she found herself standing in another country.

No sooner did she arrive in Okinawa, was she assigned to the Fleet Assistance Program and sent to SOTG. She then went through its coxswain course to learn how to operate and maintain a combat rubber craft.

The six-week course was held in January, which made the practical application of operating a small rubber boat at sea in the middle of winter difficult.

"We would sometimes get some pretty high swells and it always seemed miserably cold," said Tarazon, who suffered from bronchitis during some of the training

As if the elements and her health were not enough to contend with, Tarazon had

to overcome her fear of the water.

"I really don't know why, but I was always afraid of the ocean," said Tarazon, who had never been exposed to the open sea until coming to her new unit. "This job helped me get over those fears."

Although she has gotten over that obstacle in her life, another faces her each time she works with a new unit going through CRRC training — letting them know that she can handle her job.

"Sometimes they (male Marines) try to help too much, so I have to tell them that I got it," said Tarazon. "I think that's because some of them are not used to seeing a female in this sort of role."

Her peers and supervisors agree that Tarazon is technically proficient and competitive in her job.

"She is an all around outstanding Marine; one of the few that can do this job and even one of the fewer who does it exceptionally well," said Sgt. Chris Swanson, squad leader, Boat Platoon, SOTG, III MEF.

When she's not at work skimming over the ocean or hauling around a 322-pound boat, she likes to stay active with lifting weights and enjoys playing her guitar.

Presently, Tarazon enjoys her job and looks forward to any challenge the future holds



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Lance Cpl. Tenille Tarazon, assigned to the Boat Platoon, Special Operations Training Group, III Marine Expeditionary Force comes off the beach after working with Marines from 3rd Battalion, 2nd Marines.

#### ight Armored Recon hones skills at Camp Schwab



CPL. JEFF WOMACK

The crew of a Light Armored Vehicle, locate their target after reaching Range 10 at Camp Schwab.

Cpl. Jeff Womack

Combat Correspondent

**CAMP SCHWAB** — Range 10 feels the seismic rumbling created by the movement of armored vehicles regularly.

This time the vehicles used by Light Armored Reconnaissance Company D, Combat Assault Battalion, 3rd Marine Division, were there to practice their gunnery skills.

Light Armored Vehicles, armed with 25 mm machine guns, manned by the Marines of LAR Company D, made their way through the dense vegetation here in an exercise recently.

"We were doing a platoon-level evaluation operation," said Cpl. Alfredo M. Vasquez, scout, LAR Company D. "Basically, we were conducting break contact and zone reconnaissance drills, acting as the eyes of the exercise."

For these Marines, it was not only a time for evaluation, but also a time to pass on the tricks of the trade.

"This training was very motivating," said Lance Cpl. Richard E. Salinas, LAV gunner, LAR Company D. "This type of training we have got going is good for the small unit leader. We usually do this training at the company level, so it's a good chance for the small unit leaders."

Because the company is on the Unit Deployment Program from Twentynine Palms, Calif., they deal with challenges they usually don't face back in the desert.

"The amount of vegetation affected our visibility and mobility out here," said Cpl. Orson J. Middletent, LAV gunner, LAR Company D. "In the desert, we have a wide open space and can spot targets within about two to three miles. Here, we can only see targets within a short range."

Along with the armored mechanisms, Marine scouts deploy from the LAVs to the hard to reach places through the terrain.

"We're broken down into three six-man teams and act as the forward observers," said Vasquez. "We find the enemy, take note of their information such as size and logistics and call for fire on them."

When the 3rd Marine Division calls for enemy information, these Marines remain ready to provide armored reconnaissance with their newly acquired jungle capabilities.

## Friendship Festival: Brings together Okinawans, servicemembers for good time

Lance Cpl. Kimberly Dowell

Combat Correspondent

**TORII STATION** — The Torii Station community opened its gates to all branches of the U.S. military, their families and the Okinawan community for the 12th annual Friendship Festival, Friday, April 14th.

"The Friendship Festival is basically the commander's open house for the community," said Mike Collins, head organizer for this year's event and Torii Station's chief of recreation and sports.

The festival featured static displays, food and game booths and live entertainment.

This year an Elvis impersonator, Crucial R&B Band and the Dave Ralston Band entertained Friendship Festival visitors.

Bodybuilders grunted and sweated their way through a bench-press contest Saturday afternoon. The strongest man at the Friendship Festival, Tech Sgt. Ron Wagner, lifted 330 lbs. and achieved a 2.02 overall score. The strongest woman, Veronica Finney, lifted 130 lbs. and earned a .94 overall score.

"This is the first year we had the bench press contest, but we will definitely bring it back next year," said Jennifer Eff, contest organizer. We had a good turnout for as little time as the contest was advertised."

A Harley Davidson Show brought lots of chrome and revved engines to Torii. Owners displayed their bikes and proud smiles as visitors commented on shiny handlebars and flame-painted gas tanks.

"This year we had more booths than previous years, a good selection of music from rock to country and the fireworks were a great addition," said Collins.

One hundred fifteen Army Moral Welfare and Recreation employees and volunteers put this year's festival together. Advertising for vendors started before last year's festival was over.

One vendor, retired Master Gunnery Sgt. John McCoy, puts the Friendship Festival crowd to good use. His booth, the Smoking Drum, offers a taste of the states: barrel barbecued chicken and ribs, cornbread, baked beans, and collard greens. As a member of the Torii Mason Lodge 46, McCoy donates half of the money earned by the booth to scholarships for underprivileged children.



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Sgt. W. S. Cody, serves barbecue at "The Smoking Drum" barbecue booth.

"I got into this because I love to cook. It's a great way to support the lodge and the charities we give to," said McCoy.

Mother Nature offered a mix of thunderstorms, strong winds and rain during the three-day event. While the weather wasn't very friendly towards this year's festival, organizers were pleased with the overall product of their efforts.

"It's a big thing, a community effort by the Torii Station people to open their installation to the local residents and other branches of the service," said Collins "It went pretty well. Hopefully next year we will have better weather."

Collins and his staff expect the 13th Annual Friendship Festival, scheduled for April 2001, to be bigger and better



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Austin Moore, 4, prepares to shoot a basketball on the basketball booth game.

## Cub scouts spend time in central training area

**Gunnery Sgt. Andrew Lynch** 

Combat Correspondent

CENTRAL TRAINING AREA — More than 120 Cub Scouts and Webelos from eight different packs and 45 adult supervisors spent a week camping at Landing Zone Falcon here recently.

This is the fifth year the annual event, known as Camp Akela, has taken place

on Okinawa, but the first time it has been located at Landing Zone Falcon.

The camp allows the scouts islandwide, a chance to come together and enhance their skills in scouting while having fun, explained Mike Seiber, scouting district executive, whose been involved in scouting for more than 27 years.

Work on the campsite began April 7

with the help of some volunteers from 1st Battalion, 3rd Marines. By that afternoon, 25 General Purpose tents, which were used to lodge the scouts and house some of the activities, were set up and ready to go, according to Al Bergstrom, Camp Director.

Equipment such as the tents and cots, were provided by different units from across the island, according to Bergstrom. "We also received some assistance from 9th Engineer Support Battalion they provided us the generators and lights," said Bergstorm.

"The scouts paid \$60 to attend the event, which covered the cost of a T-shirt, patch and their meals," said Seiber.

Although the scout's accommodations at the campsite were comfortable, they were not without their hardships. Because there was a lack of shower facilities, the scouts were bussed each day to the "House Of Pain" gymnasium to clean up before they ate their evening meal and turned in for the night.

Throughout the week, the scouts enjoyed activities from arts and crafts to archery, however, the biggest improvement to the camp this year, according to Sieber and many of the scouts participating, was the aquatic area.

"The camp is perfect," said Stephen

Strand, a 9-year-old from Pack 115. "I enjoy the canoeing and row boating the

Most of the adults who volunteered to help during the event, are parents of the participants according to Bergstrom.

"Everyone out here in the military is either on Permissive Temporary Additional Duty or has taken leave to help out, said Bergstrom."

"We've had fantastic support from the Marine Corps since the beginning," he said. "They gave us everything we asked for."

Even though this year's camp was a success, Bergstrom and Seiber have their sights set on having next year's event at Kin Blue Beach.

"The kids love the water and we plan on saving some time and effort so we don't have to request support twice a year, by having it back to back with our Boy Scout camp." said Bergstrom, who at one time was a Cub Scout himself.

The last night was spent feasting on barbecued ribs and roasted marshmallows, doing skits that the scouts rehearsed earlier in the week, and singing songs around the campfire.

The event concluded April 16, with the closing ceremonies and the lowering of the flags.



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Some scouts enjoy the chance to practice archery skills.



Competitors take off on the bicycle portion of the Ishigaki Triathlon. The team from U. S. Naval Hospital was able to pull off the victory.

## Hospital team captures Ishigaki triathlon title

Lance Cpl. Chad C. Adams

Combat Correspondent

ISHIGAKI, Japan — The United States Naval Hospital team from Camp Lester swam, biked and ran their way past all other competitors in the 2000 Ishigaki Triathlon here April 9.

Colin Chinn swam 1.5-kilometers in 21 minutes, 49 seconds, John Makishi biked 40-kilometers in 1:13:55, and David Elger ran the final 10-kilometers in 33:36, giving USNH Okinawa a 69-second victory with an overall time of 2:09:20.

Chinn sparked the race early by pulling away from the lead, distancing himself from the majority of the field and setting a 13-second lead over the closest competitor coming into the transition area.

But more impressively, Chinn mounted his lead after starting in the final wave of swimmers. With each wave containing 100 triathletes, Chinn had to weave his way past five waves of swimmers to give USNH Okinawa the early lead.

"I had to go through 500 people," Chinn said. "It made me a lot more tired then I would have been at the end."

At the end of Chinn's swim, Makishi proceeded to grind out the grueling 40-kilometer bike course. Taking his lead into the difficult climbing section of the race, the unthinkable happened to USNH Okinawa, as Makishi was forced off his bike to repair a dropped chain.

"I saw some people coming so my heart was pumping," Makishi said. "It got me going like a scared rabbit."

Makishi lost over a minute and the lead, but regrouped to hammer out the remainder of the course, giving Elger a chance to win. Which is what he did. Trailing by 52 seconds,

Elger caught the lead runner midway through the course. But the battle was over two kilometers later when Elger



Members of United States Naval Hospital Okinawa, Colin Chinn, Dave Elger and John Makishi, show off their first place medals following their victory in the 2000 Ishigaki Triathlon April 9.

pulled away from the field, giving USNH Okinawa the

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The team represents how the military and local com-

munities can beneficially work together - through sport. Commander Chinn is a Navy surgeon, Makishi is a Master Labor Contract worker with the hospital, and Elger is a Department of Defense civilian employee.

"That makes it a com-

munity effort," Makishi said. "There is a lot of bonding going on between the two triathlon communities."

— John Makishi

Chinn is a former United States Masters Swimming All-American award winner and placed 4th in the 1999 Japan Masters National Swimming Championship. Makishi is a veteran Okinawa cyclist and recently placed in the top 20 at the Tour de Okinawa race. Elger is a former National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics Track & Field All-American award winner and National Champion and owns several Marine Corps Community Services and local distance running victories.

In the individual division, other servicemembers from around the island delivered outstanding performances.

A Marine with Special Operations Training Group, Leslie Shiozwa, who finished 28th overall, was the third fastest female competitor with a time of 2:28:00.







LANCE CPL. CHAD C. ADAMS

(above) Military policemen from Camp Foster escort Andrue Bane to the ring before his match. (left) Andrue Bane slams his military police escorts after they attempt to put his restraints on after his match with Sgt. Craig "Pitbull"

## Wrestlers rock Foster Fieldhouse

Lance Cpl. Chad C. Adams

Combat Correspondent

**CAMP FOSTER** — If you smelled what was cookin' on the rock, then you were probably one of the hundreds and hundreds of crazed wrestling fans packed into the Foster Fieldhouse here April 20.

The World Wrestling Alliance came to town, and brought a whole lot of trouble with them. Headlined by wrestling legends such as the Bushwackers and Rock-N-Roll Express, along with up and coming newcomers Andrue Bane and the lovely Strawberry Fields, several exciting matches were on the card. While many old-school wrestling fans enjoyed seeing their old heroes, others found new faces and new favorites.

"Strawberry, she was just great," said Jermaine Riddle, a 13-year-old Lester Middle School student. "[Bane's] finishing move was exciting. I liked it."

The highlight of the evening came when Sgt. Craig "Pitbull" Pittman, a former Marine who was actually stationed on Camp Hansen in 1980, took on Andrue Bane, a supposed inmate of Attica State Prison.

Bane, shackled, chained and led to the ring by a handful of military policemen, tore into Pittman the moment his restraints were removed, eventually shot-putting the Pitbull onto the announcer's table outside of the ring.

But Pittman regained the momentum behind a chorus of "ooh rahs" and chants of "U-S-A" from the predominately Marine crowd, executing a "Code Red," his patent finishing move, to get the pin-fall.

But Bane had a little more fight left to give. After Pittman began making his way to the dressing rooms, MPs entered the squared circle to escort the convict back into confinement; however, the big man wasn't ready to leave.

Bane threw off the would-be jailers, clearing the entire ring one slam at a time, leaving the MPs littered across the canvas. But once a Marine, always a Marine — Pittman performed an about face, dove into the ring and finished off the prisoner with another stunning "Code Red."

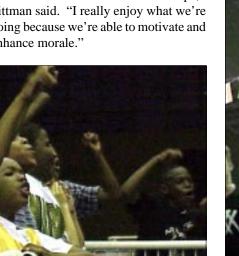
"It was kind of cool," said Lance Cpl. Steven D. Hart, Provost Marshal's Office, Marine Corps Base, one of several officers who went down during the evening's line of duties. "I liked it. Just being in the ring was pretty neat. [Bane] was a real nice guy. We were just hoping he wasn't going to hurt us."

But the officers were not the only one's pleased with the unexpected revolt against authority.

"[Bane] was scary, but it was funny when he dropped the police guys on their back," Riddle said.

Ultimately, the evening was a huge success for all of the wrestlers, but especially the fans that came looking for a good show and a little piece of home.

"Our main objective is to bring a piece of America and entertain the troops," Pittman said. "I really enjoy what we're doing because we're able to motivate and enhance morale."



Fans cheer on their favorite wrestler during one of the matches.



Andrue Bane throws Sqt. Craig "Pitbull" Pittman onto the announcers table before hundreds of screaming fans at the Foster Fieldhouse.



LANCE CPL. CHAD C. ADAMS

The "Heartthrob" Rikki Nelson locks up with the American Eagle.

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1990 Honda Prelude — JCI Aug 01, \$1,700. **1990 Honda Inspire** — JCI Jan 01, \$2,300. Sgt. Williams, 63-8361. **1992 Mazda** — JCI Sept 01. Capt. Brown, 934-9692, 622-9372.

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1990 Toyota Corona — JCI Oct 01, \$1,500 OBO. Joe, 623-7174.

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**1987 Nissan Bluebird** — JCl Apr 02, \$1,300 OBO. Chuck, 623-7062/4669. **1998 Honda CR 125** — \$2,500 OBO. 623-7590.

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Misc. — 400MHz, 4.0 GB, Compaq Presario 5340 w/ 15" monitor, \$1,100. Jeff, 625-3938.

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